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E MORE ABOUT YOUR SUBSCRIPTION

response to our recent requests ed in The Pacific, a number of subscribers sent in their renew- And quite a few others renewed ugh the church when we sent out ne pastors a list of those whose criptions had expired.

t we find that some of those who wed their subscriptions did so to bring it up to the current , so that it is again behind. We d like to remind these friends the subscriptions to The Pacific payable in advance.

ill you therefore look at the date his issue of your Pacific and see bears an expiration date of 1926 arlier. If so, please send us in a ttance to bring it up to 1927 at . The subscription price is only a year, and we accept stamps for sum (only please do not send us s of stamps for which you pay but which carry only 24c in actual age). Or you may pay for four s and send us One Dollar.

e would appreciate your early at- ion to this. Very soon now we t make up another list of expira- s to send to the pastors to get the wals for us, and we would like to in as many renewals before that as possible.

ill you help us in this?

MR. ECKLES AT WORK

has been suggested that it would appropriate for "the most recent tion to the conference force" to a few words in this issue of the fic. I am glad to respond to that gestion.

irst of all, I want to express my reciation of the many kindly ds that have been spoken or writ- concerning my entrance into this k. I shall need your support and l will as I go along, and, if I merit feel confident that I shall have it.

y first three weeks in the work e been most interesting and in- ing. Every day and many times a new problems present themselves. resting experiences crowd upon another. Duties pleasant and erwise, cry out for attention. Op- unities for helpful service of many s multiply themselves, until the rs of the day extend often far the night. But, accepting every l as a challenge, it is a joy to that the needs find us there to to meet them.

y reception into the office and the outside fields where I have e has been most cordial. I can hope that the tone and quality the future relationships between served and the server may con- e on that high plane.

WILLIAM E. ECKLES.

MERICAN SCHOOL IN BAGDAD

t the recent graduating exercises the American School for boys in dad, of which Dr. Calvin K. Stoudt Pennsylvania is principal, there e present Sir Henry Dobs, High missioner, several members of the inet of the Iraq government, and ut twenty members of Parliament. rahi, the greatest poet of Iraq, com- ed a special poem for the occasion, ch was a splendid tribute of a Mos- to a Christian institution. Every spaper in the city had a write-up a column or two. The boys who duated did work equivalent to that an American High School.

Woman's Board Annual Meeting

Program

Theme - "The Living Spirit of the Woman's Board of Missions for the Pacific"

TUESDAY

Registration at 10 o'clock

Morning Session

10:30 o'clock

Mrs. William Warren Ferrier, President, Presiding

Hymn 579 Christ for the World We Sing
Prayer — Mrs. William F. Kroll
Welcome — Mrs. Ferrier, President of the Board
Welcome — Mrs. Herman F. Swartz, President, Congregational Women's Missionary Society of Northern California
Report of Treasurer — Mrs. Walter C. Blasdale
Report of Executive Secretary — Mrs. Helen Street Ranney
Presentation of the Amendment to the Constitution — Mrs. Blasdale
Voting on the Amendment to the Constitution
Address — Dr. Mu Jin Ching, Changsha, China
Devotions "Loyalty" — Miss Elisabeth S. Benton, Former Secretary of the Board

12:30 Luncheon

"That the World May Become Our Neighborhood Where Only the Stars are Foreign Lands"

Afternoon Session

2 o'clock

Mrs. Edwin Vernon Krick, Vice-president, Presiding

Hymn 236 Ye Christian Heralds Go Proclaim
Prayer — Rev. John C. Prince
The Living Spirit of the W. B. M. P.
Its Incarnation — Mrs. Walter Byrne
Its Ministry Abroad — Mrs. Edward R. Wagner
Development at Home — Mrs. Helen S. Ranney
Blessing to Those Who Served — Mrs. Loyal Lincoln Wirt
Presentation of the Annuity Fund — Mrs. Krick
Offering
Address: "At Our Essential Task in Calm or Chaos" — Rev. Elmer W. Galt, Poatingfu, China
Greetings Woman's Board of Missions — Miss E. Harriet Stanwood, Former Secretary
Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior — Miss Mary Porter, First Missionary, W. B. M. I.
Presentation of Missionaries — Mrs. Wagner, Former Foreign Secretary W. B. M. P.

4:30 o'clock

Reception in honor of Mrs. John Knox McLean, President Emeritus and other Board Officers Past and Present

6 o'clock

International Fellowship Dinner

By special invitation, Members of the Bay Association and the Corporate Members of the American Board will be in attendance

Tuesday Evening

8 o'clock

"It was because religion gave the people a new importance and a new glory that they demanded a new freedom and a new government. We cannot in our generation reject the cause and retain the result."

Calvin Coolidge

Rev. Robert E. Brown, D. D., Presiding

Hymn
Prayer — Rev. Harry S. McCready
Address: "Turkey at the Cross Roads" — Rev. Fred Field Goodsell, Constantinople Field Secretary of the Turkey Mission
Offering
Solo — Miss Elizabeth Wilcox
Commission Service for Miss Aileen Parsons
Why I Go — Miss Parsons
Charge — Mrs. A. P. Peck
Welcome to the Field — Rev. Mr. Rambao
Commission — Rev. Jerome C. Holmes
Commissioning Prayer — Rev. Oswald S. McCall, D. D.

FIRST, SAN FRANCISCO HONORS ITS MISSIONARIES

First church has its own missionaries. They are Elmer W. Galt and his wife. They have just returned from Paotingfu, made famous by the Boxer rebellion. These missionaries arrived home late in July. It was not long before the women of that church began plans for a real honest-to-goodness reception in their honor. It was held on Wednesday evening, August 25. The great dining room was filled and with a most representative group of people. No little detail was overlooked. The flowers, the music, the dinner were all highly enjoyed. Dr. Rader gave a most felicitous welcome to the guests; Mr. Galt laid bare the whole great field of labor and the varieties of work done. Rarely does the missionary take an audience into such close touch with his daily work. It was superbly done. Dr. Gordon always rises to an occasion and his closing talk was masterly in its understanding of the situation; cordial in his appreciation and compelling in his great faith in the missionary cause. It was a memorable hour in which the Galt family, including Ralph, Edith and Faith were taken into the inner circle of this great church.

GETTING TOGETHER IN CHINATOWN

For several years different denominations were each running Language Schools and Night Schools in this great Oriental section. More recently the Presbyterians and Congregationalists have been united in a union school known as Hip Wah, which is Cantonese for harmony or union. With the opening of the school year in August we find a federation of Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians and Congregationalists covering both types of school and on a high plane with a well trained principal who speaks freely in English and Cantonese. This is Mr. I. P. Wan, whom we wish to introduce to our readers as we wish also to introduce this new attempt at federation among denominational groups. The attendance at the Language School is running over 160 daily and the devotional talks given by Mr. Wan and others have been highly appreciated. In visiting Chinatown do not overlook the work your are helping support.

HOARY WITH AGE

Some of us have already glimpsed a few of the rare specimens recently excavated by Dr. William Frederick Bade. The Pacific School of Religion is fortunate in having one of its faculty in the class of archeologists. Always interesting in his dealing with the origins of our religion he is especially so, when with attractive slides he takes us into the technic of exploration and excavation. His specimens and his pictures show us pottery, tools, ornaments and skeletons that run back some 5000 years. These reveal a civilization in Palestine some 1600 years older than other discoveries. Dr. Bade feels that he has discovered Mizpah in the Tel-en-Nasbeh about seven miles north of Jerusalem. Many of the relics are now on exhibition at the Pacific School.

NEWS FROM FOOCHOW

It is good to get the news from Foochow in this summing of the year's work by Miss Allen.

The completion of two new buildings; the erection of a new front gate and shelter, from money raised by alumnae and students; the laying of a walk known as "The Road of the Loving Heart," connecting the three buildings and made possible by gifts gathered by a U. K. T. S. graduate studying in America; the building of a new gate-house and the laying out of a basketball court and a children's playground—these are some of the visible results of the year's work. We wish the generous friends who have made these improvements possible could see and enjoy them with us.

Harmonious with the artistic Caroline M. Mitchell Building erected four years ago, the new Eliza Chappell Porter Building provides a beautiful home for the kindergarten, and has already proven its adaptability to many other uses as well, such as Sunday school, mothers' meetings, students' gymnasium classes and games, social evenings, Union commencements, and even weddings. The organ practice rooms at the far end of this building are in almost constant use.

At the farther side of the Caroline M. Mitchell Building, the Susan Merrill Farnam teachers' residence presents a most attractive appearance, and is cozy and home-like inside. The pleasant living room was furnished in memory of Miss Alice Lacy, the silver plate on the mahogany piano bearing this inscription: "In memory of Alice Maie Lacy, whose life was full of music, song and sunshine. Devoted to the U. K. T. S. 1917-1921." Thus the compound is taking the form of our dreams, and is proving most convenient in its arrangement as well as attractive in form, with its Chinese style of architecture, worked out by the Fukien Construction Bureau. The three buildings are linked by artistic covered passage-ways.

Along with this material progress we feel that there has been progress in other lines: A greater appreciation of the kindergarten by the Chinese, a definite growth of character in the lives of the students as well as the lives of the kindergarten children, and the extension of the school's evangelistic influence.

The training class of thirty girls from different parts of the province has done practice teaching in seven kindergartens and four primary schools. In our own practice kindergarten we have had over fifty children enrolled who have paid the tuition of one dollar per term.

The students in training have had charge of, or assisted in, eight Sunday schools, reporting their experiences each Sunday evening at the vesper service. Student prayer meetings were held on Monday evenings, the girls often dividing into small groups to give more opportunity for individual prayers. In the spring, in connection with a Y. W. C. A. campaign for better homes, the U. K. T. S. students put on a program showing various forms of recreation which could be used in the home, giving it once in the city and once on South Side.

The usual annual events, now become traditional, were held; the Easter tea in the rockery, the patriotic day in the country (May 9); the patriotic party for neighborhood children in October; the Seniors' excursion to Kushan monastery, and numerous Christmas gatherings.

On January 20, 1926, the Union Theological Seminary and the Union Normal and Middle School united with the U. K. T. S. in the graduation exercises, these being the three Union schools in Foochow. The gathering was held in the Porter Kindergarten Building, and one feature of the program was the dedication of this building. Another was the recognition of the tenth anniversary of the establishment of the U. K. T. S.

The eleven graduates of our school, of whom five are Anglican, three Methodist Episcopal and three Congregational, are already entering upon their work as teachers in various kindergartens throughout the province. This brings our list of alumnae to nearly fifty. Letters came from many of our graduates, showing their enthusiasm and interest in their work. One of our alumnae, Miss Isabel Uong (Loving Righteousness) who has been taking post-graduate work in America, is now on her way back to take her place on the teaching force of our school.

Our faculty group has been very happy together, as always, Mrs. Lettie Ding and Miss Ding Mi Hua have borne a large share of the responsibility in a most capable way. Miss Shawhan has finished the required language study and begun regular teaching, putting new enthusiasm into the life of the school. Miss Phillips has put so much of her life and her wisdom into the work that her resignation at the end of the year in order to be married, has left a place which will be hard to fill. Our love and good wishes go with Mrs. Carpenter to her new home. The Principal has had the happy privilege of having her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Allen, of Pasadena, California, with her since September, their presence being an inspiration to faculty and students.

As the year closes, our hearts turn with gratitude to the many friends who had a share in this growing work, congratulating them and ourselves upon the opportunity our Father is giving us, in this common enterprise; and asking them to join their prayers with ours for His continued guidance.

"Music, Song and Sunshine!" May the Union Kindergarten Training School be able to pour out these sorely-needed blessings for the little children of Fukien, radiating through its activities the love of Christ.

BERTHA ALLEN, Principal.

Mr. Fred F. Goodsell has been on a visit to Ceres where the citizens have pleasant memories of his father's ministry.

Program - continued

WEDNESDAY

Morning Session

10:30 o'clock

"You cannot make peace with documents.
Peace must be made in the hearts of men."
Herbert Hoover

Mrs. Reed B. Cherington, Vice-president, Presiding

Hymn 615 Go Labor On

Prayer — Mrs. Robert E. Brown

The Merger — Mrs. A. P. Peck

Voting on the Merger

Lead on, Oh King Eternal!
The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest
Thy tents shall be our home.
Through days of preparation
Thy grace has made us strong,
And now, Oh King Eternal,
We lift our battle song.

Lead on: Oh King Eternal!
We follow, not with fear;
For gladness breaks like morning
Whene'er Thy face appears;
Thy cross is lifted o'er us;
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest
Lead on, Oh God of light!

Welcome from the American Board — Rev. Jerome C. Holmes

Presentation of New Constitution and By-Laws — Mrs. Charles A. Kofoid

Voting on New Constitution and By-Laws

Report of the Nominating Committee

Address: "The Work at Lintsing Station" — Rev. Robert B. Whitaker, Lintsing

Benediction — Rev. C. H. Cleaves

12:30 Luncheon

Assembling of officers and directors, past and present, of Board, Branches and State Societies.

Afternoon Session

2 o'clock

Mrs. Ferrier, Presiding

Hymn 128 Fairest Lord Jesus

Prayer — Miss Mary Porter

Addresses: "The New Day in Congregationalism"
Rev. Herman F. Swartz, D. D. for the Denomination
Rev. William J. Minchin, D. D. for the Conferences

The Living Spirit of the W. B. M. P.
Its Reincarnation
Life More Abundant — Mrs. Ferrier
The Forward Vision — Mrs. James H. Lash
President, Congregational Women's Missionary Society of Southern California
Representing The Women's State Societies

Remembrance Processional

Prayer — Mrs. Ferrier

Communion — Rev. Helen Street Ranney

Deacons - Former Board Presidents and State Presidents

Notes

Each auxiliary is allowed one delegate or substitute.
Please send word to 432 Phelan Building, San Francisco, not later than September 10, if entertainment is desired.

Meals: Luncheons 40cts.
International Fellowship Dinner 65cts.
Send reservations to 432 Phelan Building, before September 11.

A TRAFFIC TRAGEDY

The clouds of grief rest over Chin town. A fine young lad of elev years is crushed beneath a swift mo ing auto. The daily press treats lightly and exonerates the son of wealthy family. Tragedy and loss a grief are the same in Chinatown elsewhere. The sudden cutting off a fine healthy specimen of boyho should not be treated lightly.

The lad was the son of Rev. L Hong, pastor of the Chinese Cong gational Church in San Francis The boy was named for our long ho ored Dr. Pond and was christen William Pon Lee. He was worthy such a name. He had that Chine respect for age and position that ga him pride in the name. Like oth of this family he sought the best education and moral leadership. F two hours, after the ordinary day schooling, he had been at the chur school for further training. He w leaving the street car after his ev ning school when struck by the au In the line of his ideals and his am tion he was cut down as the flower the field. The public may soon f get. The wheels of justice may f to turn, even Chinatown may resu its stoicism, but a strong and usef family will sit for some time in loneliness and its sorrow.

The funeral was held at the chur at 21 Brenham Place, Saturday aft noon, September 4. Rev. Mr. Tse the Presbyterian Church and Sup intendent William J. Minchin condu ed the services. As the audience fil out taps were blown as the Boy Scou stood at attention. The large atte ance at the funeral, the entire atm sphere of those present, the symp thy, the resignation, the faith in i mortality declared were an eviden of the missionary work done by t faithful preachers and teachers th have served us there. We bow o heads in their grief. We raise prayer of thanksgiving that Christi truth and trust reside in Chinatow

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SOME RECENT SAILINGS

The last number of The Pacific ca ried news of many arrivals of m sionaries, several of whom are tarry with us for the greater part their furloughs. We herewith reco the sailing of those returning or g ing out for the first time. Going North China are the following: I and Mrs. Percy T. Watson; Mr. a Mrs. A. C. Hauske; Miss Grace M Connaughey. To Foochow: Mr. a Mrs. Arthur O. Rinden. To Japa Miss Edith Fosdick, Miss Elean Burnett, Miss Emma B. Noreen a Mrs. William Ramsey, who goes visit her daughter, Mrs. Leeds G ick. Miss Ethel Scudder sailed f Madura to join her parents at M dura, India, who are with the R formed Church. The Conference offi is the richer for experiences we ha had with our worthy servants. W wish them God speed in their jou neying.

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Sixtieth year opens **August 16, 1926**
H. F. SWARTZ, President.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OBJECTIVES

The Religious Education Committee, elected at the recent Conference, met on August 23 and elected Dr. M. Fisher, chairman, and J. C. Prince, executive secretary. Looking ahead the 1927 Summer Conference for Young People, a committee on program and arrangements was elected, consisting of R. C. Waddell as chairman, Mrs. L. M. Drury and J. C. Holmes. Three young people will be appointed on the committee by the executive committee of the Young People's Conference.

The following objecitves in religious education were adopted for the new year:

1. To stimulate leadership training through classes, and intensive schools in local churches, cooperation in community schools and special courses at the Summer Conference.

2. To encourage more active and effective young people's work by assisting local leaders in developing their programs and organizations, promoting district rallies, training courses at the Summer Conference, and distribution of literature through the office.

3. To promote church vacation schools.

4. To endeavor to secure a larger number of churches and church schools to undertake definite missionary education and service.

5. To promote the organization of adult classes to pursue special study courses, and parent's classes or groups to study the home and the child in the light of recent developments in social conditions and in education principles and methods.

6. To prepare a list of approved courses which may be suggested to old church schools in preparing their curricula.

7. To give hearty assistance to closer cooperation of the religious educational agencies of the various denominations through the Council of Education.

The book, "A Year's Program for Young People," issued by the denominational Young People's Department, was adopted by the Committee as the year's program for Northern California and is commended to the churches. Several churches have already begun the season's work according to this program.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The State Convention of the California (N) Council of Religious Education will be held at Modesto, Oct. 27-29.

The second All-California Congress of Religious Education is to be held in Los Angeles, Dec. 19-21. The State Teachers' Convention is to be held at the same time. The program committee for the Congress plans a strong program with speakers of national reputation.

The Parents' Group initiated last year in the First Church, Berkeley, and the First Church, Oakland, have resumed their sessions. The groups meet at the church school hour. The enrollment in each group last year approximated one hundred people. Splendid up-to-date material for discussion and study by such groups is available. The Educational Secretary of the Conference will be glad to advise with churches considering the organization of parents' groups.

A school of Missions is to be held in the First Church, Oakland, for four weeks beginning this month. North and First Churches of Berkeley are proposing similar schools. Rev. Fred F. Goodsell of Constantinople, Turkey, home on furlough, is engaged continuously until January first, filling church engagements and lecturing in schools on missions.

A community leadership training school under the auspices of the Oakland Council of Churches, will be held for eleven weeks, beginning Monday evening, Oct. 4. Fifteen general and specialization courses have been secured. Outstanding instructors have been secured. Rev. R. C. Waddell will act as dean. Any one sixteen years of age associated with an East Bay Church may enroll in the school.

Under the auspices of the California (N) Council of Religious Education standard five-day leadership training schools for the fall and early winter are proposed for the districts centering in Chico, Eureka, Lodi, Napa, Palo Alto, Salinas, San Mateo, San Jose, Santa Rosa, Turlock and Woodland. The denominational secretaries of religious education will serve as deans. The Salinas school will be held Sept. 27 to Oct. 1. A ten-week school is proposed for San Francisco beginning in January.

One of the most heartening undertakings in religious work in connection with the University of California is the provision of a cooperative school of religion under the auspices of the University Young Men's and Women's Christian Associations. Nine courses are offered. The instructors include Professors Rugh, Bacon, Kofoid, Tolson, and Bade, and Doctors Swartz, Fisher, Blakeman, and Foster. The classes meet at Stiles Hall for the most part at 9:45 each Sunday morning. Some classes have an enrollment as high as 125 students.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE

The Second Annual Summer Conference for Young People, held simultaneously with the Conference of Churches, fully met the anticipations concerning enrollment and interest. One hundred eighteen young people and fifteen faculty members and leaders were enrolled, an increase of 50 per cent over 1925. Boys constituted 30 per cent of the enrollment; one-third of the delegates were of college age.

Courses were offered for senior high school and college groups. The Curriculum was planned so that two years of work are offered to those of senior high school age and one year to those of college years. Credit was given, based on class attendance, interest, and written work. The delegates were eager to meet the condition for credit. The college delegates unanimously requested the committee on arrangements to offer a second year of work for them for the Conference of 1927.

Plans were initiated for district rallies for young people in several centers in the conference during the year. "A Year's Program for Young People," a book issued by the Young People's Department of the denomination, has been adopted by the Conference Religious Education Committee as the conference program for young people and was used as a textbook in one of the courses at Asilomar. The delegates in many of the churches represented at the Conference are making this book the basis of their plans for the new season's work.

The young people elected the following officers for the year: President Gladys Peck, Berkeley; vice-president, Robert Adams, Berkeley; secretary, Clayton Wright, Santa Cruz; treasurer, Annie Avakian, Fresno; members of the executive committee, Sarah Patrick, Oakland; Marjory Jack and Bernard Ruhl, Stockton; member of the national committee of young people, Reva Patrick, Oakland. These officers and the Conference Religious Education Committee constitute the Conference Council on Young People's Work.

The faculty and Committee on Arrangements for the Young People's Conference were unanimous in expression of appreciation of the fine character and vital interest of the young people. Our churches are greatly indebted to the faculty and leaders who freely rendered most satisfactory service. Many of the delegates to the Conference have expressed spontaneous and enthusiastic appreciation for the inspiration, instruction and fellowship of the week "beside the sea." A new appreciation of Christianity, its faith, its mission, and its institutions came to many. New ideals for life and standards for work in the home churches are notable results of the Conference.

BENEVOLENCES
August 1 to 31, 1926

Adin	$ 24.00
Benicia	7.25
Berkeley First	579.24
Berkeley Park	31.81
Berkeley North	400.00
Berkeley Bethany	25.00
Campbell	254.79
Ceres	60.00
Crockett	8.69
Oakland First	622.18
Pacific Grove	24.80
Palo Alto	150.00
Paradise	25.00
Petaluma	86.00
Redwood City	100.00
S. F. First	300.00
San Francisco Bethany	50.00
San Jose	140.00
Santa Rosa 1st	25.26
Woodside	10.50
Miscellaneous	250.00
	$3,174.52

Distribution

I. R. U.	$ 260.00
Conference	211.68
C. W. M. S.	26.46
Annuity Fd.	36.12
C. M. R. S.	48.16
S. S. E. S.	48.16
Pac. Sch. of Rel.	72.24
C. C. B. S.	132.46
C. E. S.	144.48
A. M. A.	301.00
W. B. M. P.	313.04
A. B. C. F. M.	731.60
C. H. M. S.	849.12
	$3,174.52

Comparative Figures

Jan. 1st-Feb. 28	$3,586,24	$3,706.94
Mch. 1st-31st	3,532,70	3,907.97
Apr. 1st-30th	4,036.67	4,236.83
May 1st-31st	3,982.85	3,585.68
June 1st-30th	2,955.40	5,184.43
July 1st-30th	4,454.20	3,438.20
Aug. 1st-31st	2,281.90	3,174.52
	$24,829.96	$27,234.57
Increase		$2,404.61

THE MINISTERS' CLUB

Regular meetings of the Club will be resumed after the meeting of the Bay Association and the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Board of the Pacific. For the present the meetings are to be held in the First Church, Oakland, Monday mornings at eleven o'clock. The schedule already provided is as follows:

Sept. 20—Dr. W. F. Bade, "In the Land of the Book."

Sept. 27—Rev. Elmer W. Galt, "Democratic Administration on the Foreign Field."

Oct. 4—Dr. Charles L. Kloss, "The Americanization of Europe."

Oct. 11—Rev. Fred F. Goodsell, "An Inside View of the Near East."

Anyone interested in new books for little folks will be glad to see "Mr. Possum Visits the Zoo," and other nature stories. All children will enjoy the story of "A Knight in Armor," "How He Takes His Daily Dozen," "How Many Teeth He Has," "How He Rolls Himself Into a Ball." They will want to read about Miss Crosspatch who has eight legs and whose bones are on the outside of her body.

NEW BOOKS

"Youth Looks at the Church" (Abingdon) is a collection of abridged addresses and discussions given at the Evanston Student Conference last winter. The introduction is by Stanley High.

"God's Family" (Abingdon) is a series of six lectures by Bishop E. H. Hughes, delivered at the University of Southern California. The discussions are on a lofty plane.

"Alcohol and the New Age" by Deets Pickett is a unit in the series of "Studies in Christian Living," published by the Methodist Book Concern. It is a timely textbook for young people and adults.

"Intermediate Methods in the Church School" by F. M. McKibben is a new unit in the Abingdon Community Training School Series. It is a valuable handbook.

"Books of Goodwill" is the title of two volumes prepared by Florence Boechel and issued by the National Council for Prevention of War. Volume one, "Through the Gateway," for primary and junior children, furnishes a collection of stories, poems, pageants and service projects. Volume two, "Across Borderlines" for high school and young people contains fresh material on international friendship. Church School" by F. M. McKibben cieties will find these books useful.

"The Psalms," translated by J. M. Powis Smith (University of Chicago Press), is a painstaking work in which one finds all the beauty of the classic version preserved in a clear, uncorrupted translation presenting the unhampered majesty and true meaning of the world's greatest hymnbook.

The Page Company has published several wholesome new books. Three healthy adventure stories are, "Jack in the Mountains" by J. F. Crook, dealing with the Blue Ridge Mountains; "Young Moose Hunters" by C. A. Stephens, a story of the Maine woods; "Six Boys," by E. W. Champney in which a minister's family and the whole community are enlivened. "Animal Friends" is a volume of five of the best stories of Harriet A. Cheever; "The Successful Mr. Bagley" by John Francis, Jr., is an absorbing story of a young man whose finer qualities were in danger of being smothered by luxury and ease but which were saved by the entry into his life of love and responsibility. "The Lake of the Sky" by George Wharton James, deals with the history, geology and Indian legends of the Lake Tahoe region.

The Unguarded Gate, by Floyd W. Lambertson is a collection of delightful sermons in story form suitable to children of the junior age. The stories and illustrations are based upon the interests of childhood, and the pantomimes are interesting. The stories are classified and follow a natural sequence, beginning with character development, leading up to Jesus as the ideal hero and decision day at Easter time, and following with the life a Christian should lead.

When Jesus was a Carpenter, by Muriel Clark. This is the story of the influence Jesus had upon the life of a little girl and her family and friends, showing the application of some of Jesus' teachings to Rachel's troubles and how she profited by following His advice. As Rachel's troubles are those common to childhood everywhere; jealousy, forgetfulness, envy, etc., the book brings vividly to mind the way Jesus would have us treat such thoughts. The story of people who could say that "Jesus is my Friend."

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FIRST CHURCH, BERKELEY

The First Congregational Church of Berkeley has begun the construction of the unit for educational and social purposes. It will cost approximately $80,000, and will be located on the corner of Dana Street and Channing Way. Considerably more than nine-tenths of the sum required for the work has been subscribed, and not less than $45,000 will be available for use during the period of construction. The parish house has been moved to the Durant Avenue side of the property for use for Sunday school and social purposes while the new unit is under construction. The old residence property adjacent to the parish house on the west, which has been used for the Sunday school work in part for the last year or two, has been torn down.

The new building is to be ready for use the latter part of next March. It will be a brick veneer structure in harmony with the beautiful auditorium which was built and dedicated in 1925. The plans, as drawn by Horace G. Simpson, the architect, in 1924, and accepted by the church, provide for a third unit to be erected later on the corner of Dana Street and Durant Avenue, part of which will be a small chapel artistically designed. Thus completed, the entrance to the auditorium will be through an inviting court on Dana Street.

The unit now under construction will be 130 by 72 feet in size, and will have, in addition to its many class rooms and rooms for various other purposes, an assembly hall which will seat 450 persons. Arrangements have been made for basket ball in this unit. The Boy Scouts will have in the basement a room for their indoor activities, and the facilities for various other organizations have entered into the plans. Special consideration has been given to the kitchen and dining room equipment and to those things which make for the comfort of the women's societies so prominent in the activities of the church. In addition to the kitchen there will be a kitchenette adjoining the women's parlor. This parlor will be situated in one of the most desirable parts of the building, being the corner room on Dana Street and Channing Way. The church offices and the janitor's quarters will be in this unit. The main entrance will be on Channing Way. It is beautifully designed in correspondence with the entrance to the auditorium. There will be another entrance from the auditorium cloister which connects with this second unit.

The building committee, under whose supervision the work is being conducted, consists of H. L. Gilkey, chairman; W. W. Ferrier, secretary, and Dr. Miles B. Fisher, Messrs. W. F. Lorenz, and C. W. Brock, Mrs. W. G. Lenfestey, with Dr. McCall as a member ex-officio.

In March the church expressed by unanimous vote a desire to proceed forthwith to erect this greatly needed unit. There had been for some time a prevalent opinion that it would not be possible to build the second unit so soon after the construction of the first, a considerable part of the pledges therefor not being due and payable. However, the optimism of a few was influential and prevailing; a committee on ways and means was constituted: W. W. Ferrier, chairman; Mrs. W. R. Thorsen, Selden C. Smith, Sherrell W. Hall and Charles W. Brock. Their efforts soon made it evident that the required amount of money could be pledged; plans were drawn accordingly on the recommendation of this finance committee, the trustees unanimously voted to enter into contract to begin work the first of September.

The finance committee is continuing its work, confident that not only the small amount yet required will be subscribed, but enough additional to make it possible to meet the annual interest required while the subscriptions are being paid.

The quiet but successful campaign for these funds puts this pioneer church, the first established in Berkeley, into possession in a few months of an edifice adequate for its present needs, worth not less than $320,000 inclusive of lots, with an unprovided-for debt of not more than twenty per cent of its value. The plan as outlined by church officials, is, not only to underwrite this small indebtedness within the next three years, but to raise sufficient funds to build the third unit which will cost approximately $40,000.

In the campaign which was entered upon in 1923 to build this edifice, there has been no pressure brought to bear to secure funds; there has been no obstrusiveness to this end; no one has been made in any way uncomfortable; the need and the obligation have, however, been impressed in such a manner that no devoted, conscientious person could escape lending a hand in some way to some extent.

That the church will be able to complete in a few years its building program, as begun and thus carried on, is beyond question. Thus completed the property value will be approximately $375,000.

Although this building enterprise has thus enlisted the church for the last three years, it has given to the missionary work done by the Congregational churches for the United States, at home and in foreign lands, nearly $25,000. During that period its contributions by individual members to the Week Day Religious Education work in Berkeley have amounted to more than $7,500.

Since the auditorium was completed and occupied last October large congregations have been in attendance at both the morning and evening services. The usual morning congregation numbers not less than 1,000; not infrequently from 1,100 to 1,200; in the evenings they range from 700 to 900. The attendance on the part of University students and other young people is larger usually in the morning than in the evening.

Dr. McCall's exceptionally fine pulpit work is admirably supplemented by the work which Dr. Fisher is doing as Director of Religious Education.

W. W. FERRIER.

PERSONALS

We were all sorry to learn of the sudden and severe illness of Dr. Hodgdon. For awhile it halted our plans for the Mission Team. He is now recovered and the revised dates of the Visitation will reach all pastors very soon.

Mrs. K. S. Hoskins was quite ill during August. Her friends will rejoice to hear that she has made good recovery.

Mr. Eckles and Mr. Prince have been in Modoc County in attendance at the Association meeting at Alturas. Mr. Prince went earlier that he might be with the Alturas church on Sunday, September 5.

Miss Helen Disney, who was to have sailed on the President Wilson, September 4, has postponed her sailing two weeks. This is in answer to inquiries.

Ocean View, San Francisco, has been attracted to Mr. Green of the Pacific School of Religion and hope that he will consent to serve them this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Colbert, both students at the Pacific School have been at Benicia for two Sundays and have made themselves popular with that church.

Rev. Elmer W. Galt addressed the women of Trinity Center recently at the request of our Bethany ladies.

Ceres—The church is improving the Parsonage at the expense of several hundred dollars, adding a large sleeping porch, a breakfast room, a modern kitchen, etc. The efficiency of the Parsonage will be improved many fold. At a recent Christian Endeavor meeting there were more boys than girls, a rather significant thing! At the regular church services the proportion of men in the audience is very encouraging, visitors frequently mention it as a matter of surprise.

Ceres enjoyed a genuine treat August 29th, when Dr. Fred Goodsell and his daughter, Miss Lynda spoke. Miss Goodsell spoke at a great union young people's meeting in the Parish House on the Young People of Turkey, their past, present, and how they are facing the future with its changing needs and opportunities. Her sweetly modest but very efficient manner simply captured everyone.

At a union meeting of the Ceres churches Dr. Fred Goodsell spoke to a packed house arousing deepest sympathy and keenest interest in these people of the Near East working out in years what other nations have taken centuries to develop. Ceres is very grateful to these two noted speakers, and wish they may speedily come again!

Santa Barbara—On September 4th and 5th occurred the 59th anniversary of the organization of the first Protestant church in Santa Barbara County by Rev. Joseph A. Johnson in 1867. Sixteen persons of several religious denominations united to form the church and called it Congregational. Mr. Johnson and his wife added two more to the membership. He held religious services in the old adobe court house for one year previous to organizing the church.

Of the eighteen charter members, only two are now living, viz.: Mrs. Alice B. Lawton and her brother, R. C. Brinkerhoff.

The edifice has been rebuilt during the past year and the Society is prospering under the splendid work of Rev. Paul Davies, the present pastor.

Oakland-Fruitvale:—Word comes to the office that the Fruitvale Social Hall was injured by fire on the night of July 24th. The fire came from an adjoining due to defective wiring in that house. The damage to the Social Hall was slight and was fully covered by insurance.

COMMUNITY PROGRAM ON EVANGELISM

Community evangelistic movements in cities throughout the United States, this fall until next Easter, are urged in a co-operative program that has been adopted by representatives of the departments of evangelism of the denominations affiliated with the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

The evangelistic efforts of the churches of different denominations in each city, it is proposed, are to be synchronized as far as possible so that the autumn Sunday School and church rallies, the house-to-house parish canvasses to locate "un-churched people," the enlistment of personal workers, the evangelistic appeals in Sunday sermons and at special week-night meetings and the instruction classes for new members, will be carried on simultaneously. The united program in each city, it is expected, will culminate with special Lenten services and an ingathering of new members at Easter time.

"The churches in co-operation," Dr. Burton states, "should begin early in the fall their program of evangelism, giving special attention to the study of the community, definitely locating the un-churched and rallying all the Christian forces to this work.

"There should be a winter and spring period of cultivation and ingathering. In communities where a pre-Easter program is agreed upon by all the churches, the denominational agencies should unite in supporting it."

Activities by means of which the Federal Council's commission on evangelism and devotional life has assisted the churches of all denominations in the past, will be continued this coming year. A new edition of "The Fellowship of Prayer," a booklet with daily devotional readings for use during Lent, will be issued. This booklet has had an annual circulation of some 500,000 copies. Weekly sermons for newspapers during Lent will be prepared on behalf of the commission by Rev. George C. Pigeon, retiring moderator of the United Church of Canada. Churches will be encouraged to use all methods of evangelism, including mass evangelism, group evangelism, personal evangelism, week-end missions, men's evangelistic clubs and work for unfortunate classes, as may be suited to various situations.

Under the leadership of Dr. Goodell, secretary of the Federal Council's commission, beginning in September, a group of denominational secretaries will visit a large number of cities where in meetings and conference co-operation in evangelism will be stressed. All Christians are to be asked to read the gospel of Luke during January and the Acts of the Apostles during February. Penny copies of these books are printed by the American Bible Society, New York City.

The general co-operative program of the Federal Council's commission on evangelism and devotional life, contains in addition to the recommendations for community movements, suggestions for denominational movements and also outlines for an evangelistic plan for individual churches or parishes.

The general co-operative program with its suggestive plans for denominations, for individual churches and for communities, is issued because the Federal Council's commission "is led to believe that the time has come for the adoption of a common program and its early presentation by the evangelistic agencies of the denominations to their constituencies."